



SUMMARY MEMORANDUM

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To: Tobacco Products Scientific Advisory Committee (TPSAC)

Subject: March 1-2, 2012 Meeting of the Tobacco Products Scientific Advisory Committee (TPSAC), regarding dissolvable tobacco products

Thank you for your participation in the upcoming Tobacco Products Scientific Advisory Committee (TPSAC) Meeting, March 1-2, 2012, regarding dissolvable tobacco products. At this meeting, the Committee will finalize the required report and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the issue of the nature and impact of the use of dissolvable tobacco products on the public health, including such use among children. TPSAC's report on dissolvable tobacco products will consist of all the materials from the Committee meetings on this topic. This includes a summary and recommendations from the Committee as well as background materials, transcripts, presentations, and minutes from all TPSAC meetings on dissolvable tobacco products. In its review and consideration of recommendations, TPSAC shall address (1) the risks and benefits to the population as a whole including users and nonusers of tobacco products; (2) the increased or decreased likelihood that existing users of tobacco products will stop using such products; and (3) the increased or decreased likelihood that those who do not use tobacco products will start using such products. At this meeting, the Committee will discuss the draft Summary of the TPSAC's report, and make their final recommendations.

Draft discussion topics are included with this background package.

We look forward to your expert comments on the issue of the impact of the use of dissolvable tobacco products on the public health, including such use among children.